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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Masashi MIMA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1774

Serial No.: 10/067,547

Examiner: Merrick L. Dixon

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For: STRETCHABLE CONVEYOR BELT AND METHOD OF PRODUCING SAME

COMMUNICATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is to confirm the recent telephone discussions between the undersigned and Supervisory Primary Examiner Kelly wherein it was agreed that the Office Action mailed September 25, 2003 would be withdrawn and replaced with a new Office Action treating all of the Group I claims, namely claims 1-24. In view thereof, it is unnecessary to file a merits response to the present Office Action.

Respectfully submitted,

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